NATIONAL ARCHIVES AND RECORDS ADMINISTRATION

Records Schedules; Availability and Request for Comments

AGENCY: National Archives and Records Administration (NARA).

ACTION: Notice of availability of proposed records schedules; request for comments.

SUMMARY: The National Archives and Records Administration (NARA) publishes notice at least once monthly of certain Federal agency requests for records disposition authority (records schedules). Once approved by NARA, records schedules provide mandatory instructions on what happens to records when no longer needed for current Government business. They authorize the preservation of records of continuing value in the National Archives of the United States and the destruction, after a specified period, of records lacking administrative, legal, research, or other value. Notice is published for records schedules in which agencies propose to destroy records not previously authorized for disposal or reduce the retention period of records already authorized for disposal. NARA invites

public comments on such records schedules, as required by 44 U.S.C. 3303a(a).

DATES: Requests for copies must be received in writing on or before [insert date 30 days from publication in the Federal Register]. Once the appraisal of the records is completed, NARA will send a copy of the schedule. NARA staff usually prepare appraisal memorandums that contain additional information concerning the records covered by a proposed schedule. These, too, may be requested and will be provided once the appraisal is completed. Requesters will be given 30 days to submit comments.

ADDRESSES: You may request a copy of any records schedule identified in this notice by contacting Records Management Services (ACNR) using one of the following means:

Mail: NARA (ACNR), 8601 Adelphi Road, College Park,
MD 20740-6001

E-mail: request.schedule@nara.gov.

FAX: 301-837-3698

Requesters must cite the control number, which appears in parentheses after the name of the agency which submitted the schedule, and must provide a mailing address. Those who desire appraisal reports should so indicate in their request.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Margaret Hawkins,
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SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: Each year Federal agencies create billions of records on paper, film, magnetic tape, and other media. To control this accumulation, agency records managers prepare schedules proposing retention periods for records and submit these schedules for NARA's approval, using the Standard Form (SF) 115, Request for Records Disposition Authority. These schedules provide for the timely transfer into the National Archives of historically valuable records and authorize the disposal of all other records after the agency no longer needs them to conduct its business. Some schedules are comprehensive and cover all the records of an agency or one of its major subdivisions. Most schedules, however, cover records of only one office or program or a few series of records. Many of these update previously approved schedules, and some include records proposed as permanent.

The schedules listed in this notice are media neutral unless specified otherwise. An item in a schedule is media

neutral when the disposition instructions may be applied to records regardless of the medium in which the records are created and maintained. Items included in schedules submitted to NARA on or after December 17, 2007, are media neutral unless the item is limited to a specific medium.

(See 36 CFR 1225.12(e).)

No Federal records are authorized for destruction without the approval of the Archivist of the United States. This approval is granted only after a thorough consideration of their administrative use by the agency of origin, the rights of the Government and of private persons directly affected by the Government's activities, and whether or not they have historical or other value.

Besides identifying the Federal agencies and any subdivisions requesting disposition authority, this public notice lists the organizational unit(s) accumulating the records or indicates agency-wide applicability in the case of schedules that cover records that may be accumulated throughout an agency. This notice provides the control number assigned to each schedule, the total number of schedule items, and the number of temporary items (the records proposed for destruction). It also includes a brief description of the temporary records. The records schedule itself contains a full description of the records at the file unit level as well as their disposition. If

NARA staff has prepared an appraisal memorandum for the schedule, it too includes information about the records. Further information about the disposition process is available on request.

SCHEDULES PENDING:

- 1. Department of Agriculture, Farm Service Agency (N1-145-12-1, 3 items, 3 temporary items). Support records relating to agency planning, risk management, and the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act.
- 2. Department of Defense, Defense Intelligence Agency (N1-373-12-02, 1 item, 1 temporary item). Records related to suitability and medical readiness of employees preparing for deployment.
- 3. Department of Defense, National Reconnaissance
 Office (N1-525-12-3, 4 items, 4 temporary items). Records
 include general and routine IT and communication
 information such as system certifications, communication
 security files, telephone use logs, and audit and
 inspection records.

- 4. Department of Defense, Office of the Secretary of Defense (N1-330-13-1, 1 item, 1 temporary item). Master files of an electronic information system used to maintain personnel contact and roster information for use in continuity of operations planning.
- 5. Department of Health and Human Services, Office of the Secretary (DAA-0468-2013-0001, 4 items, 4 temporary items). Plans, guidance, exercises, training documents, and briefings related to agency continuity of operations preparations.
- 6. Department of State, Bureau of Public Affairs (DAA-0059-2011-0007, 7 items, 7 temporary items). Records of the U.S. Diplomacy Center including office program files and educational outreach materials. Also included are master files of electronic information systems used to track artifacts.
- 7. Department of the Treasury, Internal Revenue
 Service (N1-58-12-4, 6 items, 4 temporary items). Forms,
 letters, and related background materials used to report
 income taxes. Proposed for permanent retention are tax
 forms, form letters, and control documentation.
- 8. Consumer Financial Protection Bureau, Agency-wide (N1-587-12-11, 1 item, 1 temporary item). Administrative records used to manage the agency.

- 9. Court Services and Offenders Supervision Agency,
 Re-Entry and Sanction Center (DAA-0562-2012-0004, 1 item, 1
 temporary item). Clinical files used to document offenders'
 medical treatments.
- 10. Office of the Director of National Intelligence,
 Associate Director of National Intelligence for Human
 Capital and the Intelligence Community Chief Human Capital
 Officer (N1-576-11-3, 24 items, 17 temporary items).
 Records include background and reference materials, nonsubstantive drafts, routine briefings and speeches, staff
 level working groups, website records, training materials,
 and records typically covered by the General Records
 Schedules. Also included are the master files of an
 electronic information system used for human capital
 planning. Proposed for permanent retention are
 correspondence files, final reports, significant external
 briefings and speeches, program files, records of seniorlevel boards, and substantive working papers.
- 11. Office of the Director of National Intelligence,
 Intelligence Community Office of Equal Employment
 Opportunity and Diversity (N1-576-11-9, 12 items, 6
 temporary items). Records include policy files, internal
 briefings and speeches, drafts, non-substantive working
 papers, reference files, and the internal website. Proposed

for permanent retention are substantive working papers, external briefings and speeches, annual reports, congressional responses, and program and strategic planning files.

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